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22001TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES  
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CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371U.S. APPLICATION NO. 10/031689  
(If known, see PCT Art. 1.5)INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.:  
PCT/JP01/02820INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE:  
30 March 2001PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED:  
May 24, 2000TITLE OF INVENTION EXHAUST GAS RECIRCULATION APPARATUS AND EXHAUST GAS  
RECIRCULATION METHOD FOR INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINEAPPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Nobuhiro KOBAYASHI, Shigemi KOBAYASHI, Takaaki MATSUMOTO, Nozomi  
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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
  2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
  3. ☒ This is an express request to promptly begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)).
  4. ☐ The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (PCT Article 31).
  5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
    - a. ☐ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
    - b. ☒ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
    - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
  6. ☒ An English translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
  7. ☐ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
    - a. ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
    - b. ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
    - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
    - d. ☐ have not been made and will not be made.
  8. ☐ An English translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
  9. ☐ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
  10. ☐ An English translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).
- Item 11 to 16 below concern document(s) or information included:
11. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
  12. ☐ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
  13. ☐ A **FIRST** preliminary amendment.
  14. ☐ A **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** preliminary amendment.
  15. ☐ A substitute specification.
  16. ☒ Other items or information: Application Data Sheet

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17: ☒ The following fees are submitted:**BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5)):**

Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO and International Search Report not prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... \$1,040

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Independent claims	2 - 3 =	0	X \$84.00	\$	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS(S) (if applicable)			+ \$280.00	\$	
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>				\$	1020
Applicant claims small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/3.				\$	
<b>SUBTOTAL =</b>				\$	
Processing fee of \$130 for furnishing the English translation later than months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.49(f)).				\$	
<b>TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =</b>				\$	1020
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40 per property				\$	
<b>TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =</b>				\$	1020
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- a. ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 1020 to cover the above fees is enclosed.
- b. ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. **50-1936** in the amount of \$ \_ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- c. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. **50-1936**. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

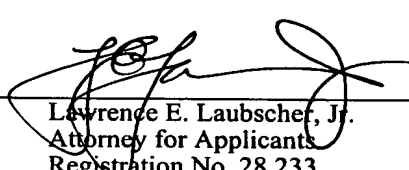
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**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage by Express Mail Label No. EL 895513588 US this 22<sup>nd</sup> Day of January, 2002 in an envelope addressed to: BOX PCT (DO/US), Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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